## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 2**

## By Eldridge

## A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of James Michael Dennison of Jackson.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of James Michael Dennison; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennison was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Jackson on September 18, 1945, to the late E.W. and Dorothy Dennison, James Dennison attended Jackson elementary schools and Jackson High School. During his youth, he played little league baseball and was a golden glove boxer; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Mr. Dennison earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Union University; and

WHEREAS, he served with acumen and alacrity for eighteen years as an employee of Owens Corning, and retired from Jackson-Madison County General Hospital after twenty years of service. In both positions he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a pillar of his community, Mr. Dennison served in the Lion's Club; and WHEREAS, this remarkable man was an active and devout member of Calvary Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for fifty years as a deacon, Sunday school teacher, and member of the choir, as well as serving on the church's financial committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennison was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of thirty-six years, Judy Shell Dennison; his children and their spouses, Sara and Dan Fuller, Michael and Audra Dennison, and Chesley and Jenny Dennison; two grandchildren, Zac and Liza; his sister, Dorothy Ann Yandell, and her

husband, Ric; three brothers, Steve Dennison, and his wife, Amy, Philip Dennison, and his wife, Charlotte, and Tara Dennison; and many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennison leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of James Michael Dennison, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Dennison.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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